

Military Week

Hello Walker Families,

April is designated the Month of the Military Child by the Department of Defense. It is a time to recognize the challenges Military Children in the US must face as their fathers, mothers, siblings and other relatives leave on deployment to defend our Country and keep it free. These repeated and extended separations and the hazard of deployment are only a few of the many stressors in Service Children's lives.

Walker Elementary has always participated in showing our gratitude to our Military Children and their Families. This tradition will continue this year.

You will notice banners, signs, and ribbons to acknowledge the Month of the Military Child. Our school will have a "Spirit Week" from April 15-April 19 to honor our military families and recognize our Military Children on campus. Please refer to the schedule below to help us to celebrate the Military Children at Walker.

Every Spirit Day will have a theme and we ask that your child celebrate with us whenever possible:

- **Monday 4/15/24 Theme:** CAN'T HIDE MILITARY PRIDE- Wear Camo clothing to support our students with family members in the armed forces.
- **Tuesday 4/16/24 Theme:** GO WEST FOR WARRIORS- Dress in red, white and blue Cowboy gear. Bring a small American flag to display and to show your patriotism to our U.S troops. **PICNIC & LUNCH:** Parents/Guardians are invited to have lunch with students.
 - UTK: 11:00 to 11:40
 - Grades 3-5: 11:40 to 12:20
 - Grades Kindergarten, 1 and 2: 12:20 to 1:00

Please pay attention to the following:

- **Parents/Guardians must bring their own lunch and sign in at the designated areas.**
- **Classrooms are close to visits at this time.**
- **Parents/Guardians will eat and then play with their own children and must leave campus immediately after lunch.**
- **Wednesday 4/17/24 Theme:** KIDS ARE SUPERHEROS- Wear favorite superhero shirt/hat/outfit to show your support of our Military students on campus. This is an extra minimum day.
- **Thursday 4/18/24 Theme:** WEAR A YELLOW RIBBON OR YELLOW CLOTHING to show our solidarity and represent the sacrifices made by our Brave Military Heroes. Yellow represents hope and support of our troops.
- **Friday 4/19/24 Theme:** PURPLE UP DAY-We love our Military students. Let's greet our Military students at the front gate with signs and banners (will be provided) Dress in purple to honor our Military students.

In partnership,

The Walker Elementary Team